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WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU ANNOUNCES DEADLINES FOR COMMENTS ON RESOLVING DISPUTES OVER POLE REPLACEMENT COSTS

WC Docket No. 17-84

Comment Date: June 27, 2022 Reply Comment Date: July 27, 2022

On March 16, 2022, the Commission adopted a *Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* that sought comment on whether further reforms are necessary to provide regulatory certainty with regard to pole replacements, particularly with regard to the allocation of costs for pole replacements.¹ The *Second Further Notice* set deadlines for filing comments and reply comments at 60 and 90 days after the date of publication of a summary of the *Second Further Notice* in the Federal Register.²

The Federal Register published a summary of the *Second Further Notice* on April 28, 2022.³ Accordingly, comments are due on or before **June 27, 2022**, and reply comments are due on or before **July 27, 2022**. Complete filing instructions are provided in the *Second Further Notice* and in the Federal Register Notice.⁴

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¹ Accelerating Wireline Broadband Deployment by Removing Barriers to Infrastructure Investment, WC Docket No. 17-84, Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 22-20 (rel. Mar. 18, 2022) (Second Further Notice), https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/FCC-22-20A1.pdf.

² *Id.* at 1.

³ Federal Communications Commission, Accelerating Wireline and Wireless Broadband Deployment by Removing Barriers to Infrastructure Investment, 87 Fed. Reg. 25181 (Apr. 28, 2022) (Federal Register Notice), https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2022-04-28/pdf/2022-09029.pdf.

⁴ See Second Further Notice at 25, para. 40; Federal Register Notice, 86 Fed. Reg. at 25181.